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# MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

May 1, 1969

The Council on Academic Affairs held a meeting at 10:00 a.m. in Room 128, Booth Library.

Members present: Mr. Atkins, Mr. Cloud, Mr. Connelly, Mr. Lowell, Mr. McKenna, Miss Pollard, Mr. Rooke, Miss Soderberg, Mr. Steinmetz, and ex officio member, Mr. Moody.

## I. Minutes of April 24.

The minutes were approved as published.

## II. Communications.

1. From Dr. Yingling - Memo concerning Agenda Item 69-24 - April 29.
2. From Dr. Yingling - Memo concerning Agenda Item 69-30 - April 29.
3. From Dean Williams - Memo concerning the authority of the Dean of Student Academic Services to waive two upper division courses for good and sufficient reason - April 16.
4. From Dr. Aulabaugh - Request to delay action on Agenda Item 69-30 - April 28.
5. From Dr. Steele - Revision of material for Agenda Item 69-28 - May 1.

## III. Criteria for Teaching Load - (Agenda Item 68-61).

Dr. Whitley was present for discussion on this topic.

The motion made at the last meeting was amended to add the words "or director"; and the motion passed unanimously by the eight members present at that time.

The motion as passed is: The means of recognizing the direction of theses and independent studies as a part of the regular teaching load must be variable according to department, and that each department head should develop a procedure for his department to be effective upon approval by the Dean or Director and the Vice President for Instruction.

## IV. Proposal to Use Pass-Fail for all P. E. Service Courses - (Agenda Item 69-24).

1. Mr. Cloud moved and Mr. Steinmetz seconded the motion to amend items 1 and 3 of the motion made at the last meeting. Item 1 as amended would be: "The pass-fail grading system applies to all physical education service courses at the option of the student." Item 3 as amended would be: "Instructors of physical education service classes report grades A, B, C, D, F as required for other courses taken pass-fail by student option." The motion to amend failed with voting as follows: 4 "Yes," 2 "No," and 2 "Abstentions." (Eight members present at that time.)
2. Voting on the original motion as made at the last meeting resulted in the following: 1 "Yes" and 8 "No." Therefore, the proposal did not pass.
3. Mr. McKenna asked to have this statement published in the minutes: "I would have favored this proposal if it had attacked the fundamental question: whether any physical skills - in athletics, dance, music, piloting, surgery, etc. - are measurable in a class situation.

"Instead, the proposal was selective and most of the discussion, both pro and con, centered upon such effects of grading as motivating students, honors rankings, and providing physical education teachers with status. It is unfortunate that evaluations of students are used for so many extraneous purposes."

V. Pass-Fail Option.

Mr. Atkins moved and Mr. Rooke seconded the motion to reaffirm the Council's action taken on November 2, 1967, to limit the number of courses taken on pass-fail to a maximum of six. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Request to Change Credit in Chem. 420 and 421 and to Add Chemistry 422 and 423 - (Agenda Item 69-28).

Dr. Steele was present to discuss and answer questions concerning the revised proposal.

Mr. Lowell moved and Mr. McKenna seconded the motion to approve the revised proposal. The motion passed unanimously.

This action approved the reduction in credit for Chem. 420 and 421 from 4 q. hrs. each to 2 q. hrs. each and approved the addition of Chemistry 422 and 423 for 2 q. hrs. each. It would then appear in the catalog as follows: (effective Fall, 1970)

Chem. 420, 421, 422, 423. Independent Study. (2 q.hrs. for each course)

VII. Proposed Revision of English Major for B. A. and B. S. - (Agenda Item 69-25).

Drs. Blair, Brooks, and White were present to discuss and to answer questions concerning this proposal.

Mr. Rooke moved and Mr. Steinmetz seconded the motion to approve the proposed revision to become effective Fall, 1970. Voting on this motion will take place at the next meeting.

The proposed revision in the English major for the degrees B. A. and B. S. follows:

English course offerings categorized into 12 groups, with the minimum requirement for the B. A. and B. S. major in English being 60 q.hrs. in English (excluding English 120, 130, 201, 322, 340, and 459), with the courses selected in order that each of the 12 groups is represented, and with a minimum of four courses from one group.

VIII. Proposal to Delete Music 100, 101, 102, and Allow Freshmen to Take Music 250, 251, and 252 - (Agenda Item 69-36).

Mr. Lowell moved and Miss Soderberg seconded the motion to approve the deletion of Music 100, 101, and 102, and to allow freshmen credit in music ensemble (band, chorus, and orchestra), with the action becoming effective Summer, 1969. The motion passed unanimously.

This action approves the deletion of Music 100, 101, and 102; it approves freshmen enrolling in Music 250, 251, and 252; and it deletes the first sentence under "Credit Organizations in Music" on page 322 of the current catalog.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Mary McElwee  
Recording Secretary

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING  
COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Room 128, Booth Library  
May 8, 1969  
10:00 a. m.

Agenda:

1. 69-25. Proposed revision of English major for B. A. & B. S.
2. 69-26. New courses, Education 331, Laboratory in Secondary Education; Education 475, Education in the Inner City School
3. 69-30. Proposal to reduce graduation requirement to 190 q. hrs. for the bachelor's degree
4. 69-34. Request to require transfer students to pass a minimum of three courses in their major department for the B. S. in Bus. degree.
5. 69-35. New course, Music 220, The Role of the Black in Western Music